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In re Application of

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application on 04 September 2007.

DECISION

This decision is in response to applicants' submission of a declaration in the above-captioned

## **BACKGROUND**

On 06 June 2007, the Office mailed Decision indicating that the declaration of the inventors did not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a)-(b).

On 04 September 2007, applicants submitted a declaration of the inventors comprised of three pages from the previously submitted declaration and two additional sheets.

## **DISCUSSION**

The declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a)-(b). The declaration executed by the first two inventors did not list the citizenships of all inventors and listed someone who was not an inventor. Applicant has now removed pages from the previous declaration and added additional pages.

"[I]t is emphasized that the application filed must be the application executed by the applicant and it is improper for anyone, including counsel, to alter, rewrite, or partly fill in any part of the application, including the oath or declaration, after execution of the oath or declaration by the applicant." MPEP §605.04(a).

A new oath or declaration listing each inventor and each inventor's citizenship is required.

## **CONCLUSION**

Applicants are required to submit an oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a)-(b) with TWO (2) MONTHS from the mail date of this decision. Extensions of time are available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely reply will result in the abandonment of the application.

Any further correspondence with respect to this matter should be addressed to the Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, Office of PCT Legal Administration, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia

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